"The South 40"

by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

It's been a long, long time since Appomattox farmers put up corn with as much moisture and seeded such a late wheat crop.

There are many who would like to have seeded additional oats and barley, but there just wasn't time. Any oats that have not been planted should be delayed 'til spring.

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For the past four winters, cattlemen in Ohio have wintered beef cow herds by grazing them on stockpiled tall fescue and round bales of spring growth tall fescue left in the field all summer and fall.

There's growing interest among Appomattox cattlemen in going at least part the way. I don't believe that we have had anyone try the use of round bales left out all summer and fall.

In early September I was in Ohio and saw several pastures with round bales in stock-piled grass. I'd like to see this practice tried here. The big question, will hay retain its quality when left outside for six months here?

Ohio research shows tall standing fescue has averaged 9.5 percent. Since beef cattle require from five to six percent protein in their ration, the feed is more than adequate so far as protein is concerned.

Workers in Ohio say that during periods of snow cover, the cows sought the round bales and fed on them until the snow melted after which the cows returned to graze the standing tall fescue.

One acre of well fertilized tall fescue will provide winter grazing for one animal unit for about 120 days.

Last week, I walked though a fescue sod that B. J. Lucado has fertilized and will use for wintering his cow herd.

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The November feeder pig sale in Farmville was much higher than the October sale. Top price was 37.25¢ per CWT. 70 pound pigs were worth $22.

The next sale is December 2. Nomination forms are available from this office.

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A recent survey of the 12 major Seed Corn Suppliers in Virginia shows that production is either average or above for 11 of the companies.

Corn growers may find certain varieties difficult to obtain, so early ordering appears to be a good idea. No corn seed containing "T" cytoplasm may be offered for sale in Virginia. There is a possible exception in sweet corn because some varieties may not be available as normal seed.

Growers who may have a carry-over supply of either blends or T corn seed are advised to destroy the seed. The flint corn filled a gap but certainly it does not appear to measure up to the better hybrids.

Amitrol, an old herbicide which got a lot of publicity several years ago concerning its use on cranberries, is now cancelled and may not be used.

However, products containing Amitrol and bearing directions for use on non - food lands are still registered at present time.

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PRECIPITATION:
Last Week ..... .13
This Month 1.57
This Year 48.56

Alvis Attends Coop Meeting

John F. Alvis of Concord, represented Southern States Cooperative's members in the Appomattox area at the association's 48th annual stockholders meeting held in Richmond, Va., Nov. 11-12.

Also attending the session was Dan G. Coleman, manager of Coleman and Sons, local Southern States retail outlet.

They heard General Manager W. T. Steele, Jr., report to the 1500 delegates, guests and employees who attended the session that the cooperative's total volume for the fiscal year, ended last June 30, hit $150,581,000, an increase of 9.2% over the previous year.

Steele told the group that net savings for the cooperative reached $4,679,000 – just under last year's figure – after deducting taxes, dividends on all stock and a 1% patronage refund. Savings were also enough ducting taxes, dividends on all stock and a 1% patronage refund. In addition, slightly over $1,000,000 was added to reserves.

Pictured is Mrs. Karen Falls, Home Economist for VEPCO in Farmville and Mrs. T. C. Harvey, Sr., County Chairman of Appomattox Home Demonstration Clubs.

Excellent Attendance At Achievement Day

by Rebecca Johnson,
Extension Agent

Wed., Nov. 17, was the big day for Appomattox County HD Club members. Their Annual Achievement Day program was held at the WOW building with approximately 100 ladies present.

The day began at 10:30 with a business session, at which time 32 Reading Certificates were awarded by Mrs. Florence Trent. Mrs. Isabelle Coleman told of her experiences at the National Extension Homemaker's Council Meeting in Dallas, Texas. Mrs. B. J. Lucado (Lorene) was chosen as the 1972-1974 County Treasurer.

A memorial was dedicated to Miss Annie Alvis, County Secretary, who passed away last week, and other beloved members who were lost during the past year.

Entertainment was excellently provided by the "Three And One", including Brenda Ferguson, Hope Paulette, Donna Paulette, with Dennis Chenault on the guitar. Following was a delicious covered dish luncheon.

The afternoon program was a delightful presentation by Mrs. Karen Falls, Home Economist with VEPCO. She showed various Christmas decorations and seasonal items to be made at home with little expense.

The committees included; Sales, Rocks Club; Decorations, Lee Club; Registration, County Lane Club; Publicity, Bethany Club; Exhibit Area, Pamplin Club; Food Arrangement, Wreck Island Club; Tables, Stonewall Club; Arrangements, Henry Penny Club; Supplies, Spout Spring Club; Clean-Up, Oakville and Appomattox Clubs.

PAMPLIN 4-H CLUB

The Pamplin Elementary 4-H Club met Friday with members from the fourth grade through the seventh. Nomination of officers was as follower: Steve Cobb, president; Debbie Roach, vice president; Tammy Book, secretary and treasurer; Debbie Baldwin, reporter; and Martha Chandler and Kimm Hipps song leaders.

BAKE SALE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Pamplin United Methodist Church is sponsoring a bake sale and bazaar in the recreational building on Nov. 27, commencing at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served at noon.

MESDAMES MARTIN & HALE'S 4-H CLUB

Mesdames Martin and Hale's 4-H Club met on Nov. 17, in room 10 and 11. The meeting was called to order by the president, James Bryant, Jr.

Song leaders, Celia Mosley and Eddie Doss led the members in singing the Jerico song.

The minutes were read by the secretary Wanda Thompson. New business was given by Mr. Frank Sweet, the assistant county agent. Mr. Sweet gave a demonstration on installing an attachment plug. Mr. James conducted drawing lessons by using geometric figures - circles, rectangles, squares, and triangles.

Derek A. Tweedy, Reporter

Report From Farm Bureau Convention

Farm Bureau families have increased by almost 3,000 for a total of 25,000 farm families represented in Virginia in the Va. Farm Bureau, according to a report by the Appomattox County Farm Bureau president, Earl Pickett who has just returned from the State Convention in Norfolk.

Also at the convention, Mrs. R. K. Martin, district committeewoman and Appomattox county's voting delegate.

Senator William B. Spong spoke at one session; also Clifford McIntyre, former Congressman from Maine and director of Natural Resources for the American Farm Bureau Federation.

During a meeting of the Farm Bureau Marketing Association, Eton R. Smith was speaker. Smith is the president of the Michigan Farm Bureau. He operates a farm and land holding supporting 300 head of Golden Guernsey in Michigan.

Robert Delano, Va. Farm Bureau president, gave a report including the facts that Farm Bureau organizations are found in 86 counties, with Lee County the newest county to organize.

Last year, $190 million of Farm Bureau insurance was in force according to Delano.

Farm Bureau marketing associations include those devoted to vegetable marketing, broilers, apples, livestock and grain. The broiler marketing division is operated on the Del Marva peninsula in cooperation with the Maryland Farm Bureau and Delaware FB.

More than 50 legislative proposals – both state and national were voted on by the delegates.

The Va. Farm Bureau will begin this year to co-sponsor Outstanding Young Farmer awards in conjunction with the Jaycees.

The state federation, backed by Appomattox County, voted unanimously to support Va. president Delano for the office of vice president of the national Farm Bureau.

Incumbent state officers and board of directors was re - elected. District director from this area is James Rea of Carter sville who serves on the state board.

Cullen Johnson, narrator and director of the radio program "Farmer Speaks", also reported to the convention. Johnson was in Appomattox a few years ago. His program has been heard 1,050 weeks continuously.

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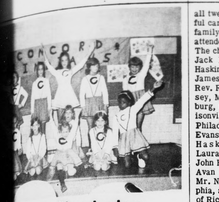

oncord Cheerleaders

ord Little League Cheerleaders (Midgets and ors honored along with the Concord Little Leaers Teams on Saturday, November 13th, with a at the Concord Elementary School.

above are center front, Mascot Jane Harding; left to right - Joy Hale, Talina Hiser, Donna Taylor and Amanda Johnson; second row from are Terry Makely , Sherri Pittman, Stacia Pam Smith and Kathy Padgett. Two girls re- for being named the most outstanding cheer- season were Kathy Padgett receiving top Talina Hiser.

aders were sponsored by Kathy Gail Whitaker, Appomattox County High School.

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Musical Concert Was A Success

The Musical Concert that the Holiness Gospel Singers and Gospel No-Names of Pamplin, gave at the Alabama Baptist Church was a success. A large crowd attended the program. A solo was sung by Rev. Robert Haskins of New Jersey; "No Secret What God Can Do," sung by Mrs. Bertha King, and Dec. Jessie King; Another song by five young girls, Miss Pearl, Alice and Joyce Moore, Clarice and Connie Venable, "I had it Hard,".

Offering was very good. We had a lot of visiting friends out of town far and near. Remarks were given by Mrs. Magonlia Franklin, Pamplin, Bro. Emmanuel Venable, New York, Mr. Braxton, of New York City. The program was enjoyed by all who attended. Mrs. Catherine Haskins wants to thank each and everyone for coming out to make it a success.

A surprise birthday dinner was given by Haskins Childress to their mother, Mrs. Mittie Haskins, of Madisonville, Va. on her 69th birthday, Nov. 19.

A special pray at the table was prayed by her son, the Rev. Robert Haskins. The rooms were decorated with pink and green paper. A lovely cake with "From her 12 children to Mother" placed upon the cake, and two cakes one was 6 layers and the other was 9 layers, trimmed in beautiful flowers.

A lovely umbrella was given from the children containing over $100.00 in the rib frames of the umbrella, also an album photo containing pictures of her husband, Dec. Jack Haskins, and all twelve children, and beautiful cards. Many of the Haskins' family, friends and neighbors attended the birthday dinner. The children' names of the late Jack Haskins and Mrs. Mittie Haskins are as follows: Mr. James Haskins, of Philadelphia, Rev. Robert Haskins, New Jersey, Mrs. Marie Henry, Lynchburg, Mr. Walter Haskins, Madisonville; Mr. Samuel Haskins, Philadelphia, Mrs. Elizabeth Evans, New York, Mr. Simon Haskins, Philadelphia, Mrs. Laura Smith, Philadelphia, Mr. John Haskins, Philadelphia; Mr. Avan Haskins, Madisonville, Mr. Norman Haskins, Philadelphia, and Miss Shirley Haskins, of Richmond.

Sunday, Nov. 21, a special birthday dinner was given by Mrs. Mary Haskins in her home to ner husband, Anthony Haskins, Uncle Buddy Haskins and Cousin Clarice Venable, her aunt, also were present. Mrs. Catherine Haskins, wife of Hyler Haskins was present. A lovely dinner was served.

"And Jesus answered and said unto him, "Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shall worship the Lord thy God and him only shalt thou serve." Luke 4:8.

Books Donated To Park

Duane Schrock and Ray Godsey examine old law books recently donated to Appomattox Court House National Historical Park. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sackett of Lynchburg donated the books, many of which belonged to Charles H. Sackett and Lewis D. Isbell, both of whom practiced law in Appomattox Court House in the 1800's or 1870's. Mrs. Lucille Watson of Lynchburg, a long-time supporter of historic Appomattox, arranged for the donation. After the books are catalogued by Mr. Schrock, many of them will be displayed in the Law Office at the restored village of Appomattox Court House.

Certificates Awarded To HD Members

Reading certificates were presented to thirty-two Home Demonstration club members as part of the annual Achievement Day Program held this year on Wed., Nov. 17 at the Woodmen of the World Building Appomattox.

Mrs. T. M. Trent (Florence) Federation Goal chairman, made the presentation.

To be eligible to receive a reading certificate, a person must read five books in at least three different categories. Those eligible include Mrs. Mary Catherine Hudson, Mrs. E. N. Cunningham, Miss Flora Belle Williams, Mrs. Frank M. Irving, Mrs. R. K. Martin, Mrs. B. C. Massey, Mrs. Geraldine Marshall, Mrs. Thelma Caldwell, Miss Marguerete Gilliam, Mrs. Louise Plunkett, Mrs. Florence Trent, Mrs. Virginia Davidson, Mrs. Virginia Gillaspie, Mrs. Susie Krantz, Mrs. Jane Young, Mrs. Helen Thomas, Mrs. Tilden Lee, Mrs. H. H. Caldwell, Mrs. J. W. Childers, Mrs. Howard M. Gilbert, Mrs. T. C. Harvey, Mrs. Richard M. Webb, Mrs. Gladys B. Woodson, Mrs. Isabelle Ann Cole, Mrs. Charlotte Jennings, Mrs. Ruth Cole, Mrs. Mary C. Moore, Mrs. Len Childers, and Mrs. V. L. Hudson.

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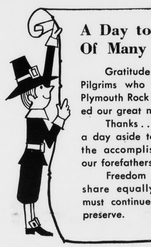

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